# CRANBERRIES, SLICED, DRIED

for use in the USDA Household Commodity Food Distribution Programs

### **Product Description**

Sweetened **dried cranberries** are processed from whole premium USDA Grade No. 1 fresh cranberries. They are sprayed with a sugar solution to balance tartness and give them appropriate texture and mouthfeel. They are also sprayed with oil to prevent sticking together.

#### Pack/Yield

Dried cranberries are packed in 30 ounce pouches. Each bag provides 28 ¼-cup servings.

## Storage

- Store unopened dried cranberries in a cool, dry place off the floor not exceeding 65°F.
  Shelf life is extended if stored below 45°F.
- For best quality, unopened and opened, dried cranberries should be used within 12 months if stored below 65°F; 18 months if stored below 45°F. Best storage is at low humidity, so refrigeration is excellent for storage.

#### **Uses and Tips**

 Dried cranberries are a quick and easy snack, and can be eaten right out of the package.

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- Use as a tasty addition to trail mix, quick breads, muffins, desserts, sauces, salsa, and salads.
- Sprinkle dried cranberries over cold or cooked cereals – dried cranberries can also be cooked in the cereal.
- Dried cranberries are a delicious addition to chopped chicken or turkey salads.

#### **Nutrition Information**

- Dried cranberries are a no-fat, no cholesterol, no sodium food.
- ¼ cup of dried cranberries provides ½ serving from the FRUIT GROUP of the Food Guide Pyramid.

Nutrition Facts						
Serving size ¼ cup (30g) dried cranberries						
Amount Per Serving						
Calories 97	Fat Cal 0					
	% Daily Value*					
Total Fat Og	0%					
Saturated Fat Og	0%					
Cholesterol Omg	0%					
Sodium Omg	0%					
Total Carbohydrate 24g	8%					
Dietary Fiber 1g	4%					
Sugars 23g						
<b>Protein</b> 0g						
Vitamin A 0%	Vitamin C 0%					
Calcium 0%	Iron 1%					

<sup>\*</sup>Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet.

# **Cranberry Granola Bars**

½ cup honey

2 tablespoons + 2 teaspoons brown sugar

1 tablespoon + 1 teaspoon oil

1½ cups oats

11/4 cups toasted rice cereal

11/4 cups dried cranberries

Recipe provided by Ocean Spray Test Kitchen

- Combine honey, brown sugar, and oil in a small saucepan. Heat over low heat until well mixed.
- 2. Mix oats, rice cereal, and cranberries. Add honey mixture and stir until thoroughly combined.
- 3. Pat firmly into an 8" x 8" baking pan.
- 4. Bake in 350°F oven for 15 minutes; press mixture firmly, once more, into the bottom of the pan. Bake 5 more minutes.
- 5. Cool completely. Refrigerate, at least one hour, for easier cutting. Cut 4x6 for **24 bars**.

Nutrition Information for each serving of Cranberry Granola Bars									
Calories	79	Cholesterol	0 mg	Sugar	12 g	Calcium	4 mg		
Calories from Fat	9	Sodium	11 mg	Protein	0 g	Iron	.3 mg		
Total Fat	1.0 g	Total Carbohydrate	16 g	Vitamin A	19 RE		-		
Saturated Fat	.1 g	Dietary Fiber	0 g	Vitamin C	0 mg				

## **Crimson Slaw**

- ½ head (1 pound 8 ounces) red cabbage, shredded
- ½ red onion, thinly sliced
- ¼ onion, thinly sliced
- 4 tablespoons oil
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 ½ cups dried cranberries

- 1. Toss cabbage and onions together in a large mixing bowl.
- 2. Mix oil, vinegar, sugar, salt, and pepper together in a small bowl to make a dressing.
- 3. Pour dressing over cabbage mixture; toss with cranberries.
- 4. Marinate in refrigerator for 1 hour.

#### Serves 6

Recipe provided by Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc.

Nutrition Information for each serving of Crimson Slaw								
Calories	231	Cholesterol	0 mg	Sugar	34 g	Calcium	62 mg	
Calories from Fat	84	Sodium	206 mg	Protein	1 g	Iron	.8 mg	
Total Fat	9.4 g	Total Carbohydrate	36 g	Vitamin A	4 RE		_	
Saturated Fat	1.6 g	Dietary Fiber	3 g	Vitamin C	65 mg			
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